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- 1. THE FOLLOWING ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE IN RESPONSE TO THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN REFTEL FOR PRESS ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE SECRETARY'S VISIT TO ISRAEL.
- 2. AN EMBASSY EMPLOYEE WILL BE PRESENT TO RECORD ALL PUBLIC REMARKS MADE BY THE SECRETARY. HE WILL TRANSCRIBE THE SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE STATEMENTS AND HIS PRESS CONFERENCE AND WILL ALSO BE PRESENT WHEN THE SECRETARY MOVES FROM ONE APPOINTMENT TO ANOTHER IN JERUSALEM IN ORDER TO RECORD ANY IMPROMPTU EXCHANGES WITH JOURNALISTS. THESE REMARKS WILL BE FORWARDED BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM, AS DIRECTED.
- 3. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS IN PARA 2 REFTEL REGARDING INFORMATION CONCERNING PRESS OPPORTUNITIES, THE EMBASSY PLANS TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING RESPONSES BEGINNING FEBRUARY 10 TO INQUIRIES FROM LOCAL JOURNALISTS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF AMERICAN MEDIA REGARDING THE SECRETARY'S VISIT: "SECRETARY VANCE ARRIVES IN ISRAEL ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE FIRST LEG OF HIS MIDDLE EAST TOUR DURING THE EARLY EVENING OF FEBRUARY 15. ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER HIS ARRIVAL AT BEN-GURION AIRPORT THAT EVENING. FOLLOWING FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON'S WELCOME AND THE SECRETARY'S RESPONSE, THE PARTY WILL DEPART FOR JERUSALEM WHERE IT IS STAYING AT THE KING DAVID HOTEL. THERE ARE NO FURTHER MEETINGS THAT EVENING.

"ON WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 16, THE SECRETARY WILL VISIT YAD VASHEM AND WILL THEN HOLD DISCUSSIONS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.
"PRIME MINISTER RABIN WILL HOST THE SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY AT A WORKING LUNCH WHICH WILL BE FOLLOWED BY DISCUSSIONS WITH THE PRIME MINISTER AND HIS ADVISORS.
"LATER IN THE AFTERNOON THE SECRETARY WILL PAY A COURTESY CALL ON PRESIDENT KATZIR.
"THE SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY WILL BE GUESTS AT A DINNER GIVEN THAT EVENING BY FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON AT THE

"SECRETARY VANCE WILL DEPART FROM ISRAEL THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 17. A BRIEF PRESS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN THE RESTAURANT AT THE BEN-GURION TERMINAL BUILDING AT 0830 HOURS."

- 4. THE PRESS TRAVELLING WITH THE SECRETARY WILL BE TRANSPORTED IN THREE MINI BUSES. IT NOW APPEARS THERE WILL BE ONLY FOUR OCCASIONS FOR THIS TRANSPORTATION ALTHOUGH THOSE BUSES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE JOURNALISTS AT OTHER TIMES: FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE KING DAVID; FROM THE KING DAVID TO THE ALLON DINNER; RETURN TO THE HOTEL AFTER THE DINNER; AND ON DEPARTURE FROM THE KING DAVID TO THE AIRPORT. THE PRESS ROOM WILL BE ON THE GROUND FLOOR IN THE KING DAVID AND WILL INCLUDE TELEPHONES, WORKING TABLES, TYPEWRITERS, ETC.
- 5. WE ARE MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICE IN THE PRESS ROOM AND FOR DELIVERY OF WRITTEN COPY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO PTT FOR TELEX TRANSMISSION; WE ARE ALSO MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE USE OF CREDIT CARDS FOR FILING WRITTEN COPY. WITH REGARD TO PARA 8 REFTEL, WE SEE NO REQUIREMENT FOR SEPARATE TRANSPORTATION FOR NEWSMEN TO PROCEED IN ADVANCE OF THE SECRETARY'S MOTORCADE ON ANY OF THE MOVES DESCRIBED ABOVE.

6. BIOGRAPHIC AND BACKGROUND MATERIAL ON ISRAEL AND ISRAELI LEADERS WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE PRESS ROOM. COPIES OF THE USIS WIRELESS FILE AND THE AP BULLETIN WILL BE POSTED.

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